PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR GENERATING PART PROGRAMS FOR USE IN

IMAGE-MEASURING INDSTRUMENTS, AND IMAGE-MEASURING INSTRUMENT AND METHOD OF DISPLAYING MEASURED RESULTS

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claim 10 as follows:

10. (Amended) The apparatus for generating a part program according to claim 1, wherein said work data comprises CAD data of or image data of said work.

REMARKS

Claims 1-18 are pending. Claim 10 is amended to eliminate multiple dependencies.

Prompt and favorable consideration on the merits is respectfully requested.

The attached Appendix includes marked-up copies of each rewritten claim (37 C.F.R. 1.121(c)(ii)).

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APPENDIX

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APPENDIX

Changes to Claims:

The following is a marked-up version of the amended claim:

10. (Amended) The apparatus for generating a part program according to <u>claim</u>

1any one of claims 1-9, wherein said work data comprises CAD data of or image data of said work.